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Via Regular and Electronic Mail

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk/Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Protection Request

Dear Ms. Boyd,

I respectfully request protection from trial or other judicial appearances for the period of April 15, 2024, through April 26, 2024. My wife and I will be out of country on vacation. In particular, I would draw your attention to the filing by Duke Energy Carolina in Docket No. 2023-388-E for a rate increase. I would anticipate that my client, the South Carolina Energy Users Committee, will petition to intervene in this docket. Duke Energy Carolinas has filed a proposed procedural schedule which would meet the terms of my request for protection, and I would ask that you give Duke's request every consideration. Please let me know if you have questions.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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